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Executive Vice President Harris Health System Administrator Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital

Throughout his almost 30-year career in healthcare, Alan Vierling, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FABC, has had just one goal: "go where I can make a difference." This commitment to servant leadership has taken Alan across the country as he has worked as a clinician, teacher and healthcare executive at a variety of medical institutions.

2014, Since Alan has served at Harris Health System in Houston, Texas. As executive vice president/administrator for Harris Health's Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ) Hospital, he is committed to making LBJ the community hospital of choice and a model for other community hospitals.

LBJ is the busiest Level III trauma center in the nation. The 328-licensed bed facility is a major medical teaching partner of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston and The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

Alan assumed the administrator position at LBJ in June of 2016 after filling it on an interim basis. A hands-on leader and mentor, Alan has increased LBJ patient satisfaction and employee engagement scores, and reduced nurse vacancy rates. In August of 2017, he successfully led LBJ through Hurricane Harvey crisis management and response by maintaining an open, full-service facility, deploying ride-out and recovery teams, and sheltering storm evacuees.

Before leading LBJ, Alan served as Harris Health's senior vice president of Organizational Transformation and LBJ's interim chief nursing officer.

Alan is a registered nurse. His experience in clinical care, healthcare consulting and executive management include tenures at HCA Columbia in Salem and Blacksburg, VA; Carilion Clinic in Roanoke, VA; Medical Facilities of America in Roanoke, Genesis Healthcare System in Zanesville, OH; and Encore Health Resources in Houston.

Alan earned a Doctorate degree in Nursing Practice from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia; and a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Nursing from Radford University in Virginia. In 2017, he was recognized by the Houston Chronicle as one of "Houston's Top 150 Nurses," and by Harris Health System as a "Harris Health Hero."

Alan has two grown daughters. He is an avid reader of leadership and history books. His bucket list includes seeing Major League Baseball games in every ballpark, visiting every national park and hiking the highest peak of every state. He's seen 20 out of 30 ballparks and half of the national parks. He recently visited Campbell Hill, the highest point in Ohio.